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On October 20th, at Canton, the wife of V. R.
Eckford, of a son.
On October 27th, the wife of H. A. TINDALL,
Russia-Chinese Bank, Northwing of a son.
MARRIAGE.
On October 31st, at Shanghai, LOUISE EDGAR
CANNING, of ELIZABETH MARY (MISS) BIRBY.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 7TH, 1906.

In the recent statements by Mr. PUTNAM
WEALE as to the condition of affairs in the
Russian Far East cannot be accepted by all
with absolute confidence—and he has his
critics—confirmation of a wholesale nature
has lately been provided by the Russian
newspaper *Novoe Vremya*, which no one can
expect to be troubled with either pro-Japanese
or anti-Slav tendencies. In a recent leading
article, it made statements almost identical
with many of those we lately quoted as
emanating from the brilliant author of the
"Reshaping of the Far East." Trade and
manufacture in the Primorski region is,
our Russian contemporary has stated,
absolutely undeveloped, so far as Europeans
understand the term. Its undoubted natural
riches are practically untouched, and the
country remains almost in its primitive
condition. In fact, the *Novoe Vremya*
admits, "during all the time that it has
had control of the Primorski region, our
Government has made no serious attempt
to colonize it and to increase its material
prosperity. On the contrary European
Russia continued up to 1900 to send thither
the refuse of its criminal population—hardly
a good method of raising the intellectual
and economical level of the country. Its
commercial policy was characterized by
routine, and by a complete ignorance of

local conditions, thanks to which the
Government continually swung from a high
tariff to free trade and up to the present it
has not made up its mind as to which of
these systems it shall adopt. This want of
decision on the part of the Government has,
of course, a bad effect on local trade and
commerce." Mr. WEALE concluded that
Russia had no Far Eastern policy at all at
present. The domestic disorder in European
Russia had distracted the overshipping of
interests so far away, and local jealousies,
coupled with a general pessimism among
the disheartened officials on the spot, were
against any consistent attempt at govern-
ing and developing these rich regions
which Russia has annexed but never
yet assimilated. The translation of the
Russian comments referred to indicates
that there is, however, more than
one policy, and the writer proceeds to
discuss a question closely affecting the
commercial interests of these parts. It
appears that notwithstanding the pressure
of graver affairs at home, the Far East has
not been overlooked at St. Petersburg,
which indeed we might have fairly assumed
from the evident control maintained by the
bureaucracy over the powers of the Minister
at Peking, who finds himself much in the
same situation as some of our Colonial
Governments have lately done under a
Colonial Office that has lost the energetic
assistance of a WINSTON CHURCHILL. A
special commission has been sitting at the
Russian Ministry of Trade and Commerce
to consider the to be or not to be of main-
taining in peace the free-trade policy
considered desirable during the war. The
Novoe Vremya is for free-ports, arguing
that as there is at present no local industry
to protect, protective tariffs will merely
check the development that is so desirable
and necessary. It might be helpful once
that development gets a fair start, but
neither before the birth of industry, nor
after it reaches robustness, can our con-
temporaries see that protective tariffs at
Machuria or Siberian ports would be
anything but harmful. It says protection
only does harm to a sufficiently developed
industry, for "it tends artificially to raise
the price of all products, making the cost
of living greater and at the same time
depriving traders of an invaluable impulse
towards improved production. In this
excess of protection lives the old sin of our
bureaucracy, a sin which has cost the
country very dear." Fiscal revenue ought to
occupy the secondary place. Experience has
shown that Siberian producers need cheap
materials from abroad; manufacturers of
matches, soap, &c., are continually asking
the Ministry of Finance for rebates
on indispensable materials imported
from abroad. The *Novoe Vremya*, vainly
we fear, tries to allay the doubts of the
Moscow and Litz manufacturers, who dread
foreign competition. It avers that under
free trade Russian goods held their own
against foreign; and that the latter actually
entered more freely when a tariff barrier
was erected. There we fancy the Russian
journal has been misled by studying values
instead of quantities, for the foreign
imports it quotes are expressed in rouble
terms, 3,772,572 roubles worth in 1900,
6,470,561 roubles in 1901, and 10,999,004
roubles in 1902. Then also, the increase
of smuggling caused by the high tariffs was
bound to affect the imports from European
Russia, which in the same years dropped in
value from fifty-seven millions to thirty-
eight millions. "In any case," concludes
our contemporary, "the interests of the
local population should be considered before
these subsidy and rebate-fuel manu-
facturers at home." Other merchants who
wish to introduce their goods at southern
ports will prefer that Vladivostok should
go back to protection.

According to a Tokyo dispatch, the Nippon
Yusen Kaisha intends opening a service between
Yokohama and New York, via the Suez Canal.
The dispatch states that the six vessels now
employed in the European service are to be
transferred to the New York line, and their
places taken by six new steamers of 8,000 tons
each.

A college for forestry will be established, says
the *Japan Herald*, at Mukden with Prof.
Imagawa as President. It has been promoted
by Mr. Kojima, Director of the Lumber Office
at Mukden, for the promotion of Lumber
industry on the Yalu, and seconded by influential
Chinese, the Tartar-General of Mukden having
promised to subscribe 150,000 yen towards its
fund.

Another successful organ recital was given
by Mr. Emma Fuller in St. John's Cathedral
last evening before a fair attendance of music
lovers. The organist's interpretation of the
several works of the masters was sympathetic
and artistic. The audience cordially greeted
the Rev. M. Longbridge for his two solos, and
Master McKelvey used a pleasing voice to
perfection in the solo "Angels ever bright
and fair." The programme, which was
published yesterday, was thoroughly enjoyed.

Mr. Shaw, Secretary for the U.S. Treasury,
has issued a circular to the public, stating that
he will for some time discontinue making
disposals of gold bullion, in order to facilitate
the importation of gold, which had been checked
owing to the rise in the Bank of England
discount rate. His prompt action in this
respect has caused a great stimulation in the
circulation of bank notes, and it is believed a
critical situation has been avoided. The New
York money market has studied somewhat
since the action of Mr. Shaw.

It is reported from Peking that indifference to
the strong hostile feeling expressed by people in
the North on the subject, the *Waiwup* has
sent instructions to H.E. Wang Tachai, Chinese
Minister to the Court of St. James, to protest
against the recent legislation of the Transvaal
Colonial authorities requiring all Chinese work-
ing on the Rand and other parts of the Trans-
vaal Colony to be registered and their measure-
ments taken according to the British system.
"As if these subjects of the Imperial Govern-
ment of China were so many criminals instead
of being honest, humble labourers, working for
a living away from home."

A copy of the shipping journal *Pine* has
been sent to us, in which that weekly organ
deals faithfully with a typical example of the
wild statements that were made at first with
regard to the Suez and Canadian Mail routes.
Having in its correspondence and leader
columns fully explained the misunderstanding
weeks ago, and showing clearly that the C.P.R.,
while nobly beating its own previous record,
does not even profess to lower the remarkable
times achieved by the Suez mail lines, the
Daily Press need not go over the ground again.
It seems evident, however, that Mr. Piers,
the manager of the C.P.R., must have been
grossly misinformed by the Canadian papers.
He is very unlikely to have said that the fastest
time via Suez and overland was 35 days.
Thirteen years ago the P. & O. had reduced
the record to 21 days, as we reminded our
readers some time ago.

We are advised that the American Consulate
has received the following typhoon warning:—
"Manila Observatory 10 o'clock a.m. Cyclone
North Yapi Island, Western Caroline. Direction
unknown."

The Shell Company's tank-steamers *Volante*,
while conveying 5,000 tons of kerosene oil to
Hankow, stranded on October 27th about twenty
miles below Nanking. In reply to her signals
Captain Chang Pih-kwang of the Imperial
Chinese cruiser *Haichi* went to the *Volante*'s
assistance and endeavoured for nearly five hours
to tow her off. Eventually the *Haichi*'s hawser
broke and she was obliged to proceed on her
way to Nanking, in order not to delay the
arrival of H. E. Viceroy Tuan Fang who was on
board. After losing the tow the *Volante* at
Nanking, Captain Chang Pih-kwang returned
to the stranded *Volante* and succeeded in tow-
ing her. The steamer had apparently sustained
no damage and was able to continue her voyage
to Hankow. "he quickly and prompt assist-
ance of the Chinese cruiser prevented the *Volante*
from remaining aground possibly for a consider-
able period, and it was felt, says the *N.C.*
Daily News, that thanks were due to H. E.
Viceroy Tuan Fang for his ready ascent to
the *Haichi* being delayed for so many hours
during her first attempt to tow off the stranded
vessel.

Mr. F. X. d'Almeida e Castro appeared for
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during her first attempt to tow off the stranded
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SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, November 6th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUISE JUDGE).

CLAIM FOR MINE.
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recover the sum of \$200, being as to \$100 part
owed for the return of money deposited with the
defendant as bargain money for the hire of
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TELEGRAMS.

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SECOND DAY.

SHANGHAI, November 6th.

To-day's racing was favoured with milder
weather and some sunshine. The attendance
was therefore large.

NORTHERN CUP, Tls. 250, 1 mile, 28 entries.
Mr. G. H. Potts' Heather King, 158, (Mr. Cumming) 1
Mr. Copenhagen's Compulsion, 155, (Mr. Dalglish) 2
Mr. Nesham's Racer, 155, (Mr. Kram) 3
Time 2 m. 31.2.5.

CHINA CUP, Tls. 250, griffins only, one mile,
2 entries.
Messrs. Chamberlain and Robson's Mark Time, 158, (Mr. Burkill) 1
Mr. Maud's Angelus, 152, (Mr. Meyerink) 2
Mr. Quebec's Racer, 152, (Mr. Cumming) 3
Time 2 m. 6.1.3.

SHANGHAI ST. LEGER, Tls. 250, for 1896
runners, 1 1/2 miles, 33 entries.
Mr. Baverly's Breckton, 157, (Mr. Hayes) 1
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Mr. H. Morris' Heathfield, 152, (Mr. Burkill) 3
Won by a length. Time 3 m. 47.2.5.

PANAMA CUP, Tls. 250, griffins only, seven
furlongs, 39 entries.
Mr. G. H. Potts' Northern King, 152, (Mr. Burkill) 1
Mr. Quebec's Racer, 155, (Mr. Cumming) 2
Mr. John Peel's Bedale, 152, (Mr. Johnston) 3
Time 1 m. 18.3.5.

SHANGHAI STAKES, forced entry of Tls. 5,
Tls. 100 added, winner 70 per cent. 1 1/2 miles, 137
entries.
Mr. Robson's Lavender, 158, (Mr. Burkill) 1
Mr. Maud's Angelus, 155, (Mr. Meyerink) 2
Mr. Quebec's Racer, 152, (Mr. Cumming) 3
Time 3 m. 16.1.5.

RACING STAKES, Tls. 250, for 1896 runners,
1 1/2 miles, 34 entries.
Mr. Morris' Heathfield, 160, (Mr. Burkill) 1
Messrs. Perforce and Elphinstone's Throat, 155, (Mr. Campbell) 2
Mr. Copenhagen's Compulsion, 161, (Mr. Moller) 3
Time 2 m. 41.4.5.

LLAMA MIAO STAKES, Tls. 250, 1 1/2 miles, 24
entries.
Mr. Durgor's White Blaze, 155, (Mr. Oughton) 1
Mr. Fas Comanche, 158, (Mr. Moller) 2
Mr. Nephew's Minheimer, 152, (Mr. Hayes) 3
Time 3 m. 51.4.5.

SVCEE STAKES, Tls. 250, griffins only, 1 1/2
miles, 49 entries.
Mr. Ashford's Moriak, 155 (Mr. Dalglish) 1
Mr. Quebec's Racer, 152, (Mr. Cumming) 2
Mr. Ring's Hils, 155, (Mr. Vids) 3
Time 3 m. 44.1.5.

SICCAMEE PLATE, Tls. 250, 1 1/2 miles, 34
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Mr. John Peel's Ard Patrick, 155, (Mr. Johnston) 1
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Time 2 m. 43.4.5.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

THE STORM IN THE RIVIERA.

LONDON, November 4th.

A great storm, accompanied by a tidal
wave, has done much damage in the Riviera.
Nine torpedoes have been wrecked at
Toulon, and the shipping has suffered
severely.

THE BOROUGH ELECTIONS.

LONDON, November 4th.

The elections for the Borough Councils
in England show a sweeping victory for the
Moderates. In London the Progressives and
Labourites were everywhere routed.

NORTH POLE EXPLORATION.

LONDON, November 4th.

Advices received at Hopedale, Labrador,
state that the explorer Peary is returning,
after having reached 87.6 deg. the furthest
north yet achieved.

THE GOVERNORSHIP OF NEW
YORK.

LONDON, November 4th.

The campaign for the Governorship of
New York surpasses all previous elections
for passion and vehemence.

President Roosevelt, being unable to
personally participate in the [election for]
Governorship of New York, has commis-
sioned Mr. Root to declare that the election
of Mr. Hearst will injure and discredit
honest labour and honest capital. Mr.
Root denounced Mr. Hearst as a deliberate
demagogue, an exploiter of sensationalism,
an apologist for the murderer of President
McKinley, and an upholder of useless
discontent. After Mr. Root's speech, the
betting on Wall Street in favour of Mr.
Hughes, advanced to 4 to 1.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued
the following report:—

On the 6th at 12.25 p.m.—The barometer has
fallen over N. China, and risen slightly at most
of the other stations.

The depression, which may be slowly filling
up, appears to be almost stationary to the S. or
S.E. of Formosa.

The high pressure area remains central over
the continent to the North of the Yangtze.
N. and N.E. gales will continue in the
Formosa Channel and the N.E. part of the
China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at
10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon
to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood { N. winds,
fresh; fair.

Formosa Channel { N.E. gales.

South coast of China { N. winds,
strong.

Hongkong and Lamoo { strong.

South coast of China between { strong.

Hongkong and Hainan { strong.

Samoa No. 1.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHIC
CONVENTION.

LONDON, November 4th.

MARINE COURT.

BURNING OF THE S. S. "HANKOW".

A court of inquiry to investigate the circumstances connected with the burning of the British steamship *Hankow* sat at the Marine Court yesterday. The inquiry was held at the request of Captain Branch, master of the *Hankow*. The court had for its members—Lieut. C. W. Beckwith, R.N., stipendiary magistrate; Lieut. H. Butterworth, R.N.S. *Taney*; Mr. Edward Beetham, master of the British steamship *Empress of India*; Mr. Colin Hannah, British steamship *Savva Moona*; and Mr. G. J. Matlock, master of the British steamship *London*.

The letter from Captain Branch calling for the inquiry and the authority from H.E. the Governor enjoining the court were read.

The President said he proposed as the venue from Canton was convenient for the court should make searching inquiry, first, into the conduct of the officers after the fire was reported, secondly, into the fire arrangements of the *Hankow*, thirdly, into the storage of cargo on river steamers, and, fourthly, into the general fire arrangements of river steamers with a view to making suggestions for improvement.

Captain Branch, the first witness, having described the voyage from Canton on the night of the 13th October, said that after making fast at the wharf about ten minutes past three, the two watchmen came running after the startled alleyway and reported that there was a fire aft. To the chief officer he remarked, "Come along; let's see what's the matter." They took two fire buckets with them; and, on going aft, found the Chinese passengers crowding the gangway, both on the upper and lower decks. Arriving on the main deck he saw the fire coming up from the midst of a pile of matting—both flames and smoke. He ordered the chief officer to couple up the steam hose, situated on the engine room casing. Witness remained below with the watchman and endeavored to pull some of the matting down to get at the fire. Meanwhile the fire was spreading rapidly and he ordered the watchmen to remain there and regulate the passengers, and get them ashore quickly. This was at the main deck entrance. Seeing the rapidly with which the fire was spreading, witness went on the upper deck to get the hose down quickly.

On the main deck he met the chief officer, who reported that the engineers had been driven out of the engine room by the smoke and were unable to start the steam pump. Witness told him to couple up the after main pump, and nothing the chief officer emerging from the engine room, he asked him if it were possible to give them steam for pressure. The latter replied that it was impossible because no one could go near the engine room. Witness saw two lady passengers forward. They were very frightened. He went up to them and they asked if there was any danger. He told them there was not and put them on shore. Returning to the ship, he noticed that nearly all the first class Chinese passengers had left the ship. On getting down to the fire, he found the flames had spread so rapidly that the whole of the upper deck was on fire, shutting off the approaches to the women's quarters on either side. The gangway was blocked with Chinese and he endeavored to hasten their going ashore and prevent undue panic. Witness could not get ashore for the crash there and had to go on the upper deck, satisfying himself on the way that there were no passengers in the saloon. The fire had penetrated as far as the ladies' saloon on the upper deck and finding it was hopeless to remain on deck he forced his way ashore. He returned immediately in the hope of saving his papers but without success.

By the Court—How many passengers do you think went ashore on the arrival of the vessel and before the fire was reported?—About 100 or 200.

Is it customary for the passengers to remain on board?—Yes.

Witness added that there was a constant stream of Chinese passengers using the three gangways from the time they made fast.

What were your fire arrangements when alongside the pier?—How many pumps do you use?—It depends on the steam. There will always be sufficient to get pressure through the hose to cope with any ordinary fire, assisted by two Gossage's pumps with lengths of hose sufficient to reach any part of the ship.

Do you ever consider it necessary to exercise your crew at fire stations?—No; it has never been done.

Have you any printed fire instructions in any conspicuous place on the vessel?—None.

How do you expect your crew or officers to have any intelligent co-operation in the event of fire?—We carry a Chinese crew of 14. They are constantly changing, and we have strange hands on every trip. It would be extremely difficult to train men. In this instance they all left the ship in a body.

Surely you carry officers who do not change?—The second officers are changing every two or three months. Sometimes they only remain a week, being transferred to outside steamers.

The Harbour Master—I see the difficulty. But surely it would be possible to have 15 minutes practice a week?

But what do you say to the question as to obtaining intelligent co-operation?—The officers are constantly in touch with the crew who are accustomed to use the hose.

And you think they would have sufficient co-operation to deal with a fire?—Yes.

Was it possible for any untrained crew to get on the top of the matting unaided and by carelessness cause this fire?—Yes.

By Captain Beetham—When you sent for the hose did it ever arrive?—No.

How many steam connections could you get in the event of fire?—We could couple up three connections.

What became of your Chinese crew?—I did not see them again till after the fire.

Do you think if the Chinese had been drilled at fire stations as is customary in deep water ships that they would have been of any assistance to you in this particular instance?—I don't think they would.

By the Court—Do you think if there was a bugle sounded for them to fall in and they know they would be dismissed if they did not, do you think that would have any effect?—No.

By Lieut. Butterworth—Suppose you had a fire alarm and the crew understood that they would be dismissed if they did not fall in, would they have done so?—No; in this instance I don't think they would.

Captain Matlock—Don't you think it would be advisable with passengers on board to keep your fire drills running until they had left the ship?—No; I consider the lights provided are sufficient. The loss of life was caused by the passengers hanging on to their luggage. If they had left their luggage and a life would have been lost.

H. W. Hobbs, chief officer, said he was talking to the captain at the forward gangway on the saloon deck when the fire was reported. Both the captain and he ran aft to see where the fire was situated, and when they arrived at the after end of the main deck where the matting was stowed, he saw the flames from the matting, about eighteen inches from the upper deck. The captain told him to couple up the fire hose. He ran for the key and made arrangements to get steam. Meeting the engineer, he followed him down to the engine room with the intention of using the fire hose, which was situated on the outside of the engine room casing on the lower deck. On opening the engine room door a vast quantity of dense smoke rushed through. He then made his way with the hose to the small pump on the after end of the saloon deck. On his way along the saloon deck he met a Chinese sailor whom he took with him to help with the hose, but on reaching the after part of the Chinese first-class saloon they could get no further owing to the heat and flames. From there he went forward to the first-class saloon to see if he could render assistance to any passengers still on board. Finding no one there and realizing it was hopeless to remain on board he went on the wharf to assist with the hose.

There were no printed fire instructions on board the ship.

By the Court—How do you expect to get any intelligent co-operation with the remainder of your crew if you have no fire routine?—I should expect to direct the operations myself. The men are always changing. There are never the same people there from one week's end to another.

Have you any station equipment for manning a ship in a case of fire or otherwise at sea?—No.

Lieut. Butterworth—Where all gangways made available for the use of the Chinese passengers and if so about how long after the fire was first reported?—The gangways were all in position about five minutes before the fire.

Could all the Chinese passengers use the first class gangway?—Only the first class Chinese passengers could use the forward gangway. The lower deck passengers could not.

By the Court—No body was there to say "you shall not use this gangway."

Witness Beetham, second mate of the *Hankow*, said he was going to his room when the fire was discovered. He noticed something unusual in his room and on going out "put" the first officer who was trying to couple up the fire hose. This was about three o'clock in the morning. Witness corroborated as to the position of the fire and stated that after looking at the first class saloon to see if any passengers needed assistance, he proceeded to his room to get his papers but found it impossible to enter. Afterwards he went on to the wharf to assist with the hose. Witness was asked similar questions as to fire arrangements on board the *Hankow*, and said he had seen a printed list on the ship but could not remember where.

By the Court—Are there special precautions for the stowing of matting on the passenger deck?—As far as possible we try to stack it up to prevent passengers getting at it.

Captain Beetham—What boat did this list appoint you to?—I think it was number three.

Captain Beetham—The list was not of much use.

J. D. Christie, chief engineer of the *Hankow*, said he came out with her in 1874 and rejoined her in 1883. They stopped stoking 20 minutes before reaching the wharf and allowed the fires to die out. That would permit them to have sufficient pressure on the fire mains. At 3.30 he could give forty pounds of pressure through each of the three nozzles. The electric lights were switched off about fifteen or twenty minutes after making fast, because that was long enough to enable the passengers who wished to leave the ship to get off. Asked similar questions as to fire arrangements on board, witness replied that they had no fire drill. With regard to co-operation between the engine room and the deck steam was always available for pressure. When there were no fires lighted the hand pumps would be used.

How would you receive a message?—There is a speaking tube from the bridge but the messages are usually sent by messenger.

What happened when you went down to connect the fire mains?—I was nearly overcome with smoke and had to return back. I told the captain it was impossible to start the pump.

By Captain Beetham—The firemen had been there a long time. Some of them make the ship their home.

They know everything about the ship?—Yes.

Did they help you at all?—Yes, but the thing happened so quickly that little could be done.

The Court then adjourned for fifteen minutes.

On resuming,

Robert Thornburn, second engineer on board the *Hankow*, was called. He said he had been eighteen months on the ship. He was in the engine room when the fire alarm was given and he acted on the order of the first engineer to switch on the electric light but the smoke and flames made it impossible to enter the dynamo room. He escaped through the stoke hole to the upper deck and went on shore, the ship being in flames. He assisted the firemen on the wharf with the hose. Witness stated there were no fire stations on board, neither had he seen any fire drill.

Thomas Nobbitt, third engineer, said he had been on the *Hankow* about three years. He was in his bunk when he was awakened by an unusual noise, and, on going out, learned that the first had been taken out. This was about three o'clock. He returned to his room to save his papers, but the second mate told him it was impossible. The whole of the ship was on fire and he made his way to the wharf.

Do you know of any fire arrangements?—Yes, there are discharges below.

As long as there is steam up?—Yes.

Have you ever seen a printed list which would convey to you what boat you would go to in the event of the ship being abandoned?—Not on that ship.

Captain Branch, recalled, said there were no printed lists on board the *Hankow*. He thought the second officer, who said there was, had confused the *Hankow* with some other ship. There was nothing unusual in carrying store bread or matting on the passenger deck. He had been done for years. There was no special precaution in carrying such matting except to stack it up and prevent passengers getting on top of it.

Captain Matlock—Have you any idea how the fire started?—No.

As far as you know there was only one fire?—Yes.

Lieut. Butterworth—Is smoking allowed on that deck on which the matting is carried?—It is impossible to prevent it.

The finding of the Court was, after a brief deliberation, read as follows: We find that the British steamship *Hankow*, of which Benjamin Branch is the master, left Canton on the 13th of October at 6 p.m. and after an uneventful passage made fast to her proper pier. The *Hankow's* cargo consisted of raw silk and straw matting. The straw matting was stowed and carried on the passenger deck aft. The *Hankow* carried on this trip 7 European passengers, 350 Chinese and 61 crew. That at 3 a.m. the ship was made fast alongside her pier and that certain passengers went on shore, although the greater part of them were remaining on board as is customary, until daylight. That at 3.7 a.m. the alarm was first given of fire amongst some straw matting stowed aft on the passenger deck. Strenuous efforts were then made by the master and officers to get at it and put it out, using buckets pending the arrival of the fire hose driven off the main boiler but without success owing to the tremendous amount of smoke which found its way into the engine room making it impossible for any one to remain down there. That the vessel was well found in fire appliances, pumps etc., which were constantly exercised for washing decks. That the master and officers did all in their power to save life and property but owing to the rapidity of the fire and the fierceness of the flames without much success. That the fire broke out turned out smartly and rendered every assistance supported by a naval pump under Lieut. Anderson of H.M.S. *Florida*. That the court, of strong opinion, as a precautionary measure, that all cargoes of light inflammable material, such as straw, braid or matting, when carried should be stowed under hatches or blocked off or screened off in such a way as to be impossible of access by any passengers. Also we consider that the ordinary fire arrangements and boat stations should be hung up on a printed form in some conspicuous part of each vessel in these river steamers and the fire arrangements should be exercised and logged once a week, so that in the event of fire some successful effort might be made to cope with it on board. This, in the opinion of the Court, can only be done by constant practice with the crew and would take some fifteen minutes weekly if properly organized. We deplore and regret the immense amount of life lost, but after searching inquiry we consider that everything was done that could be done to save life by the master and officers under the circumstances. Therefore the Court absolves the master and officers from all blame.

NATIONALIZING KOREAN RAILWAYS.

The terms on which the State is to take over the Korean railways which are not yet in its possession have now been fixed. These lines are the Seoul-Pusan and the Seoul-Wi-do lines. In the case of the former, the State is to take over the line which has been taken as a basis for determining the purchase price. Therefore the method pursued has been to assume 6 per cent as a fair return on the capital invested (15 million yen) and to multiply this by 20 so that the purchase price becomes 18 million yen. In the case of the Seoul-Chemulpo line, the method of calculation has been the same as that adopted with regard to railways in Japan proper, namely, to multiply the average net profit by 20. There results a figure of 4,223,352 yen, so that the Treasury's total outlay will be nominally 22,223,352 yen. But from the price of the Seoul-Chemulpo line there have to be subtracted two items, namely, the sum obtained by the Government originally to obtain possession of the line, which was then in the hands of American capitalists, and the cost of bridging the Myungye River, which work was done officially. Making these corrections, the total to be actually paid over will be 2,016,392 yen. This means that for each share (20 yen paid up) the holder will receive 30.30 yen (namely, 40 yen minus an expense of 70 yen in connection with winding up the companies).

SIR CHARLES DUDGEON.

Over a hundred members of the China Association and their guests attended the far well dinner to Sir Charles Dudgeon at the Shanghai Club. The *N.C. Daily News* refers to the home-going gentleman as the most conspicuous and respected citizen for some years past. He has achieved distinction in all directions during his thirty years at Shanghai. Sir Charles Dudgeon came to the Far East in 1876 at the age of twenty-one, and was for long connected with the firm of Robert & Co. He has done much to promote the welfare of China merchants, and was chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Shanghai branch of the China Association, and his opinions were always regarded as weighty. Our contemporary says: "The recent reorganization of the China Association at Home in part as it has been to the work of Mr. Dudgeon, has been also in large measure due to the prompting from Shanghai, and it is no secret that Sir Charles Dudgeon has been of infusing yet more energy into the body which alone can claim to represent with any degree of force the united voice of British trading interests in this part of the world." With all his concern for British interests, Sir Charles Dudgeon has been and is a good friend to the Chinese. He took a prominent part in drawing up the lines for a commercial treaty between India and the Malay States. In other ways Sir Charles has shown his desire to improve Anglo-Chinese friendship, notably as chairman of the Executive Committee of the International Institute, now after long years of patient endeavour, beginning to exercise an influence in the land.

SHANGHAI DOCK AND ENGINEERING CO., LIMITED.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

An extraordinary general meeting of this company was held on Nov. 1st for the purpose of considering a proposal which had been made by thirty-eight shareholders for the formation of a Wharf and Godown Company to acquire the Old Dock property and part of the property between the Cosmopolitan and International Docks.

Mr. E. Joanne Hooge proposed that the Directors be authorized to dispose of the property to a new company to be styled "The Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd." for the consideration that each shareholder in the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Company, Ltd., receive one fully paid-up share of the value of Tls. 25 in such new company for each share held by him in the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Company, Ltd.

The resolution was seconded.

Mr. F. E. Turner, the promoters of the scheme, to be submitted to you to-day have been informed that the wording of the resolution, as read to you, does not sufficiently safeguard the interests of the shareholders in the Dock Company; and as it has been taken in hand for your benefit, they have had it amended by a lawyer, and have deputed me to move it, as re-drafted, in the form of an amendment to the original resolution. I therefore beg leave to propose the following amendment:

That resolution No. 1 shall read: "That the Directors be and they are hereby authorized to dispose of the property known as the Old Dock situated in Hongkong and of part of the property situated between the Cosmopolitan and International Docks as lately advertised in the Public Press to a limited company to be incorporated under the Hongkong Ordinances with a capital of Tls. 1,780,000 in shares of Tls. 25 each and having for its principal object the construction of wharves and of godowns on the property to be sold, and the carrying on of the business of wharfingers, and that the consideration for such sale shall be the sum of Tls. 1,380,000 to be paid by the shareholders of this Company or their nominees of 55,200 fully paid-up shares in the capital of such proposed new Company."

I may mention here that the second resolution regarding the reduction of capital will not be moved, as we are advised that it is unnecessary and premature at this stage. It concerns a matter which may be left to the Directors to deal with when they are convenient to deal with the arrangements with the new company are satisfactorily completed. Before saying anything regarding the amended resolution, I wish to correct certain misapprehensions; I might almost call them wilful mis-statements, which have been current lately. It has been said that the scheme now to be proposed has been invented by certain speculators for the purpose of influencing the market; that it is not intended to materialize; that if it does materialize it will not pay; and that even if it pays you can expect no return for at least four years. Every one of these statements is untrue. The scheme owes its inception to Mr. A. M. Marshall, and has been elaborated by him in consultation with some of the most business men in the place. Since his election to the office of Mr. Marshall has been very active in our interests, and as his own business has made him aware of the pressing need for more facilities for the discharge and storage of cargo, he has conceived the idea of benefiting the shareholders of this Company by showing them how they can make a profit by supplying that need. If you pass the amended resolution, the scheme will be carried out, and I shall shortly lay before you figures showing that there need be no fear of failure. Above all things I wish to make it clear that this is an honest scheme. Past experience may have made you a little shy of "delicate offers" and the like, but I beg to assure you that this scheme has been taken in hand with the object of benefiting the shareholders of the Dock Company and that no one else will make anything out of it. There is another point I wish to touch on. The letter signed by thirty-eight shareholders was a preliminary proposal intended for the information of the Directors, specifying the business to be transacted at this meeting, as required by paragraph 43 of the Articles of Association. It was intended to be circulated as an offer to the shareholders, not to be considered as the definite form of a resolution to be submitted at this meeting. Since the letter was sent in, the promoters of the scheme have been hard at work considering ways and means. The first idea of offering alternately cash or scrip has had to be abandoned, in order that the debenture money may be more easily raised. But you will understand that the scrip offered is of higher face value than any cash offer could have been under present circumstances. Now, Gentlemen, you are aware that we have certain valuable property that practically gives us no return. The passive policy of letting it alone with the idea that it would increase in value every year may have had something to be said for it in the past, but we consider that the time has come to do something of a more active nature. So much potential wealth must not be wasted, and it would be altogether unreasonable if one desire to develop our property in the most profitable way were to give rise to antagonism or to the impression that we wish to enter into

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Hongkong, 22nd August, 1906.

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will do so and will make the profits we ought to secure for ourselves. An argument against the scheme is that the shareholders will receive antecedent in certain quarters and alms business from the Dock Company. This seems rather far-fetched, as the business of the Dock Company depends on a management which gives good work for reasonable prices and shows a proper energy in securing patronage. Moreover, by advertising the land for sale the Directors have shown that they recognize the advisability of disposing of it, and the use we propose to put it to is probably what any purchaser would do with it. Further, doubts are expressed as to whether the debenture money can be raised and about the payment of the interest. The answer is that inquiries have been made and that the Committee will be able to pay the interest on the debentures. I shall have ample funds to meet the interest before the time arrives. You must not be led away by the wild talk uttered by interested parties who say that nothing can be earned for at least four years. The Old Dock property should be completely developed in twelve or fifteen months, and eighteen months will be sufficient to develop the property on the other side. I am told that we can begin to earn something before everything is completed. The objection that if we wait longer we shall get more for the land appears to me particularly futile. The result of offering the land for sale shows that the present offer is favourable, and it would be foolish to wait an indefinite period in the hope of getting an extra lakh or two when we can send up the value of the property immediately in the bargain. You must not forget that capital at 7 per cent doubles itself in about ten years, but there is no prospect of our land, if left undeveloped, increasing in value at that rate. I wish strongly to impress upon you that if you pass this resolution you will supply the proposed Committee to carry out the project if they find it feasible. Without your authority they can do nothing; for instance, they cannot make arrangements for placing the debentures. We pledge ourselves that at the Confirmatory Meeting the Committee will present a full report in which they will inform you whether the estimates of expenditure are within the mark, whether the profits expected are likely to be realized, and whether the debenture money can be raised without any difficulty. If you are not satisfied with the report, or if in the meantime a better offer has been received, you need not confirm our decision of to-day and you will have lost nothing. On the other hand, if you pass the resolution, you will obviously be in a far stronger position for dealing with any offer that may come along. There is some vague talk of expected offers, and you will make it clear that they must be better than Tls. 1,380,000. In other words you start competition which is healthy, and under any circumstances the report of the Committee will be an excellent advertisement, as it will show what can be done with your property. Gentlemen, we are passing through hard times. Our shares show a serious depreciation and our dividends have fallen. It is time we did something to help ourselves by

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NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, &c., should be addressed to the Manager, and should be sent to the Press Office, after that hour the supply is limited. Only supplied for Cash.

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MANAGER,
Daily Press,
Hongkong, 7th November, 1906. [2052]

C. DE M. C. VIEIRA-RIBEIRO,
AUCTIONEER.

FAVORABLE with instructions, will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 8th inst., at his SALES ROOM, at No. 9, Queen's Road Central, at 2.30 p.m., the side to be continued on SATURDAY, the 10th inst., at the same hour.
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TERMS:—As usual.
Catalogues will be issued and Goods now on view.
Hongkong, 7th November, 1906. [2053]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship
"ERNEST SIMONS,"
Captain Boardman, will be dispatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, 12th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to—
G. DE CLAMPEAUX,
Agent,
Hongkong, 7th November, 1906. [2054]

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

GRAND PROMENADE CONCERT
TO BE GIVEN IN THE KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB ENCLOSURE, Austin Road, Kowloon,
ON SATURDAY,
10th NOVEMBER, AT 9 P.M.

Admission 3s. Tickets to be obtained from MEMBERS or at the GATES.

BEST LOCAL TALENT SECURED.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1906. [2050]

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Is now prepared to supply its Patrons in Hongkong during the Winter Months with GAME, GAME PIECES, PORK PIES, BRAWNS, SAUSAGES, FRESH and CORNED BEEF.

Orders will be carefully and promptly attended.
—Shanghai, 1st November, 1906. [2055]

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Complete Edition ... \$10.00
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INTIMATIONS

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Government Notification No. 912 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY, the 9th November, the anniversary of the BIRTHDAY OF HIS MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY KING EDWARD VII.
—Hongkong, 6th November, 1906. [2046]

NOTICE.

THE Dressmaking and Millinery Establishment of MADAM JAY'S has been REMOVED to No. 14, DES VUEX ROAD. MADAM JAY'S are just opening PARIS MODEL HATS.
—Hongkong, 6th November, 1906. [2048]



IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that FIELD FIRING will be carried out in the vicinity of Customs House and Sleepers Quay, on the 9th, 7th and 8th inst.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Colonial Secretary,
—Hongkong, 5th November, 1906. [2047]

THE PUBLIC HEALTH & BUILDINGS ORDINANCE COMMISSION.

TAKE NOTICE that a COMMISSION has been appointed to enquire into and report on the following matters, viz.—
1. Whether the administration of the Sanitary and Building Regulations enacted by the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, as now carried out is satisfactory, and, if not, what improvements can be made.
2. Whether any irregularity or corruption exists or has existed among the Officials charged with the administration of the aforesaid Regulations.

The Commission earnestly invite the Inhabitants of Hongkong and Kowloon to co-operate with them by forwarding any complaint they may have to make or suggestion to offer in connection with the matters aforesaid to the undersigned.
Any person examined as a witness in the inquiry aforesaid who in the opinion of the Commissioners makes a full and true disclosure touching all the matters in respect of which he is examined will receive a certificate from the Commission which will protect the witness against any civil or criminal proceedings which may be instituted against such witness in respect of any matter touching which he has been examined.

By Order,
W. BOWEN ROWLANDS,
Secretary.
—Hongkong, 7th July, 1906. [1381]



MITSU BISHI DOCKYARD AND ENGINE WORKS, NAGASAKI.

CODE WORD: "DOCK."
A.I. A.B.C. and Engineering Code Use.
NEW DOCK NOW OPEN.

DOCK No. 3.
Extreme Length ... 722 feet.
Length on Blocks ... 714
Width of Entrance on Top ... 96 1/2
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Water on Blocks at Spring Tide ... 24 1/2

DOCK No. 1.
Extreme Length ... 523 feet.
Length on Blocks ... 513
Width of Entrance on Top ... 88
Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 77
Water on Blocks at Spring Tide ... 58

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Extreme Length ... 571 feet.
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Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 53
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Suitable for vessels up to 1,000 TONS.

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NOTICES OF FIRMS

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.
MR. W. J. SAUNDERS has been Appointed ACTING SECRETARY of the above Company as from the 1st November, 1906, and until Mr. JAMES WHITFIELD's return to the Colony.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. W. MAITLAND,
Acting Secretary.
—Hongkong, 1st November, 1906. [2016]

NOTICE.
WE have Established Ourselves To-day under the Firm Name
ULDERUP & SCHLUTER, Hongkong,
as GENERAL MERCHANTS and ENGINEERING AGENTS.
T. P. ULDERUP, C. SCHLUTER,
Office 1 & 2, Bonaville Arcade,
—Hongkong, 15th October, 1906. [1919]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

CHINESE ENGINEERING & MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

A FINAL DIVIDEND of One Shilling per Share free of tax for Account of the year ending 30th February, 1906, has been declared by the Directors of the above Company. Coupon No. 7, is payable on 2nd November at the CHINESE BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA and CHINA, and the RUSSO-CHINESE BANK at Tientsin and Shanghai.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
—Hongkong, 1st November, 1906. [2017]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 5687 for ONE HUNDRED SHARES numbered 3791 to 3790 inclusive, Fully Paid-up, standing in the name of JAMES DOUGLAS, of Hongkong, having been LOST or Destroyed, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said Certificate is produced at the Office of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Vaux Road, Hongkong, before the 17th November, 1906, a New Certificate for the said shares will be issued and the old certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as Null and Void.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
—Hongkong, 17th October, 1906. [1928]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 5687 for SIXTY SHARES numbered 4657/4946 inclusive, Fully Paid-up, standing in the name of JAMES DOUGLAS, of Hongkong, having been LOST or Destroyed, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said Certificate is produced at the Office of the Company, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, before the 30th November, 1906, a Duplicate Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as Null and Void.

THOMAS I. ROSE,
Secretary.
—Hongkong, 31st October, 1906. [2007]

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 4680 for TWENTY-FIVE SHARES numbered 1300/25 to 1300/50, Fully Paid-up, standing in the name of BENJAMIN ROBINSON, of Hongkong, having been LOST or Destroyed, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said Certificate is produced at the Office of the Company before the 3rd December, 1906, a Duplicate Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as Null and Void.

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—Hongkong, 3rd November, 1906. [2048]

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—Hongkong, 30th October, 1906. [1997]

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—Hongkong, 15th August, 1906. [1577]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),
the 8th November, 1906, at 12 o'clock, NOON,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED).
The American Steamer "YRUNA" with all her Anchors, Chains and Appurtenances, &c., (to be sold on board).
As She now lies off the COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

PARTICULARS:—
Tonnage ... 1,805 3/4 gross.
Length ... 463 68 feet.
Beam ... 190 feet.
Depth ... 25 feet.
Speed ... 13 knots.
The Engine is of the compound surface Condensing type, I.H.P. 430.
For further Particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

TERMS:—25% of the purchase money to be paid by the purchaser on the fall of the Hammer, and the steamer to be at the purchaser's risk on the fall of the Hammer.
N.B.—A Steam Launch will leave Blake Pier at 11.30 a.m. on day of Sale to convey intending purchasers.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
—Hongkong, 26th October, 1906. [1883]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE:
MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT will offer for Sale by Public Auction,
On MONDAY,
the 12th day of November, 1906, at 3 p.m., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,
THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
Known as No. 11, LOWER LASCAR ROW standing on the Piece or Parcel of Ground registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Section B of Island Lot No. 70.

The following are the Particulars:—
All that Messuage or Tenement known as No. 11, LOWER LASCAR ROW standing on all that Piece or Parcel of Ground, situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, and registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Section B of Island Lot No. 70 hold for the residue of a term of 75 years and for a further term of 92 1/2 years created therein by a Crown Lease and Indenture of Extension of Island Lot No. 70 respectively dated the 18th day of July, 1845, and the 23rd day of March, 1891. Subject to the payment of the rent and performance of the Covenants and Conditions contained in the said Crown Lease and Indenture of Extension so far as they relate to the said premises.
Monthly rental \$50.00 exclusive of taxes.
For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to—
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MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
—Hongkong, 25th October, 1906. [1974]

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3 WOODEN LIGHTERS,
Length ... 89' 0"
Breadth ... 24' 0"
Depth ... 9' 6"
Capacity ... 320 tons.
Complete for delivery within 5 weeks from this date.
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—Hongkong, 6th November, 1906. [2019]

FOR SALE OR HIRE.

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62 feet long, in Very Good Condition.
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—Hongkong, 2nd November, 1906. [2027]

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ONE Set TRIPLE EXPANSION
ENGINES with Shafting and Propeller
Complete in Good Order and Condition.
Cylinders 37", 37" and 60" Stroke, 3 ft 3 ins.
Builders: MUIR and HOSKIN, Glasgow.
For all Particulars and Price, apply to—
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Victoria Buildings, Hongkong.
—Hongkong, 26th October, 1906. [1975]

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TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.
—Hongkong, 22nd September, 1906. [613]

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On Current Accounts 2 1/2 per annum on daily balances.
Fixed Deposits 12 months 4 1/2 per annum.
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" 3 months 3 1/2 per annum.
" 1 month 3 per annum.
L. ENGEL, Agent.
—Hongkong, 23rd July, 1906. [1450]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
CAPITAL PAID-UP ... £800,000
RESERVE FUND ... £200,000
HOLDERS' LIABILITY OF SHARE ... £200,000
RESERVE FUND ... £200,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 6 months 3 1/2 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 3 months 3 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 1 month 2 1/2 per cent.
T. P. COCHRANE,
Manager.
—Hongkong, 1st May, 1906. [114]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED ... £1,250,000
PAID-UP ... £825,000
RESERVE FUND ... £135,000

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 6 months 3 1/2 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 3 months 3 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits for 1 month 2 1/2 per cent.
E. ORMISTON,
Manager.
—Hongkong, 26th March, 1906. [26]

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.
BRANCHES:
Hankow, Hamburg, Calcutta, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Kobe, Yokohama, Singapore.

Founded by the following Banks and Bankers:
KÖNIGLICHE SÄKHANDLUNG (PREUSSISCHE STAATSBANK) Berlin.
DIREKTION DER DISKONTO-GESellschaft.
DEUTSCHE BANK.
S. BLEICHROEDER.
BEFLINER HANDELS-GESellschaft.
BANK FÜR HANDEL UND INDUSTRIE.
ROBERT WARSCHAUER & CO.
MEINELSON & CO.
M. A. VON ROTHSCHILD & SOHN.
JACOB S. H. STERN.
NORDDEUTSCHE BANK IN HAMBURG, HAMBURG.
SAL. OPPENHEIM, J. & CO., KÖLN.
BAYERSCHE HYPOTHEKEN-UND WIRTSCHAFTSBANK, MÜNCHEN.

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SON.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENT.
DIREKTION DER DISKONTO-GESellschaft.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account, DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
HUGO BUTER,
Manager.
—Hongkong 4th October, 1906. [27]

BANKS

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER)
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 5,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ... " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEI, FORMOSA.
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
Amoy, Kobe, Tainan,
Anping, Nagasaki, Tamsui,
Keelung, Osaka, Fokio,
Shanghai, Yokohama.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
Interest allowed on Current Account.
Deposits received on terms which may be learned on application.
D. TOHDOW, Manager.
—Hongkong, 1st July, 1906. [2045]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Fiscal Agents of the United States in China, the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS
AUTHORIZED ... Gold \$10,000,000
CAPITAL PAID UP ... " Gold \$3,250,000
RESERVE FUND ... " Gold \$3,250,000

HEAD OFFICE: New York.
LONDON OFFICE: Threadneedle House, E.C.
Branches and Agents all over the World.
LONDON BANKERS:
BANK OF ENGLAND.
NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED.
BRANCHES AND AGENTS all over the World.

The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account at the Rate of 2 1/2 per annum on Daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—
For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.
For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 1 month 3 per cent. per annum.

No. 9, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong.
H. PINCKNEY,
Manager.
—Hongkong, 17th October, 1906. [1951]

YONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... \$10,000,000
STRENGTH RESERVE ... \$10,000,000
SILVER RESERVE ... \$10,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. HAYES, Esq., Chairman.
G. H. MANNING, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
G. Balloch, Esq., A. J. Raymond, Esq., G. G. G. Esq., R. Shaw, Esq., Hon. Mr. W. J. G. Esq., N. A. Siebs, Esq., C. R. Lenzmann, Esq., H. E. Tomkins, Esq., D. M. Nisim, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH
ACTING MANAGER:
Shanghai—W. ADAMS GRAM.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of Two per Cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
H. E. H. HUNTER,
Acting Chief Manager,
—Hongkong, 17th September, 1906. [34]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application. INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
H. E. H. HUNTER,
Acting Chief Manager,
—Hongkong, 30th July, 1906. [24]

NEDERLANDSCH-INDISCHE HANDELSBANK.

(NEDERLANDSE INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK).
ESTABLISHED 1863.
Authorized Capital FL 15,000,000 (£1,250,000)
Subscribed Capital FL 10,000,000 (Paid up)
Reserve Fund FL 1,625,000 (1/135/737)

HEAD OFFICE: AMSTERDAM.
SUB-OFFICE: THE HAGUE.
HEAD AGENCY: BATAVIA.

BRANCHES at: Singapore, Sourabaya, Semarang, Indragajah, Bandong and Weltevreden.
CORRESPONDENTS at: Cheribon, Tegal, Pecalongan, Macassar, Pontianak, Padang, Medan, Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Colombo, Karachi, Djeddah, Bangkok, Saigon, Shanghai, &c.

BANKERS:
THE WILLIAMS DEACONS BANK, LD.,
SWISS BANK CORP.,
PARIS: COMPTON NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.
BERLIN: DEUTSCHE BANK.
BRUSSELS: BANQUE DE PARIS ET DES PAYS BAS.
VIENNA: UNION BANK.
ROME: BANCA COMMERCIALE ITALIANA.

THE BANK buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit payable in all important places of the World and transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the Rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits: 12 months 4 1/2 per annum.
" 6 months 4 per annum.
" 3 months 3 1/2 per annum.
" 1 month 3 per annum.
J. BOETTJE, Manager.
—No. 16, Des Vaux Road Central.
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LICENSING SESSIONS.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES OF THE PEACE which will be held at the MAGISTRACY on WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of November, 1906, at 2.30 p.m. the following Applications for Publican's and Adjunct Licences for a period of 12 months from the 30th day of November next following, under Ordinance No. 8 of 1893, will be considered.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Description of Licence Applied for.	Sign of House.	Situation of House.	Whether Applicant has held a Licence to sell Liquor in the Colony and, if so, for how long.	Remarks.
1	Esther Oliver	Publican's Licence	The New Traveller's Hotel	70, Queen's Road Central	Yes, for 8 years	
2	George Green	"	" Criterion Hotel	95 and 100, Queen's Road Central	" 3 "	
3	M. Tehelchinski	"	" Land We Live In Hotel	332 and 334, Queen's Road West	" 13 "	and 2 months.
4	William Krater	"	" Ross Shamrock and Thistle	304 and 306, Queen's Road Central	" 13 "	
5	Jeydor Silbermann	"	" Globe Hotel	184, Queen's Road Central	" 15 "	

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	NILE Capt. E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	About 7th November	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI, FORMOSA and KOBE	DEVANHA Capt. B. W. H. Snow	About 9th November	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA Capt. T. H. Hild, R.N.R.	About 16th November	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	DELTA Capt. C. L. (Rund)	Naon, 17th November	See Special Advertisement.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1906.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOI, MANILA, Cebu and ILOILO	"KALPONG"	On 8th November.
SHANGHAI	"KUIKIANG"	On 9th November.
TIENTSIN	"KUEICHO"	On 10th November.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DAWID, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, OATLANDS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 12th November.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 14th November.
KOBE	"TSINAN"	On 14th November.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

* Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

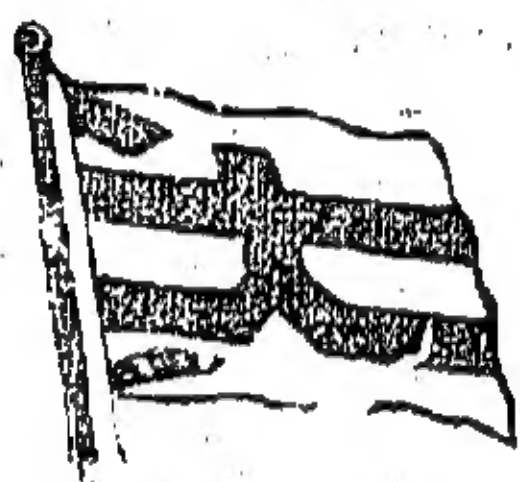
* Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 7th November, 1906.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO'S RR.	LEAVING
* TAMSUI via SWATOW AND AMOI	"MASAN MARU" Capt. I. SAKURAI	SUNDAY, 11th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.
* ANPING via SWATOW— AND AMOI	"FUKUSHU MARU" Capt. S. ITO	WEDNESDAY, 14th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.
SWATOW, AMOI AND FOOCHOW	"QUARTA" Capt. H. MADSEN	FRIDAY, 9th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.

* These Steamers have excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with electric light. First-class Saloon Amidships. Unrivalled Table.

* Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 7th November, 1906.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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PASSENGER SEASON 1907.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

THROUGH STEAMER

MARSEILLES AND LONDON.
via COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

THE STEAMSHIP
"MACEDONIA,"
10,500 TONS, CAPT. C. D. BENNETT, R.N.R.
WILL BE DESPATCHED AT NOON,
ON
SATURDAY, 23RD MARCH,
AND IS DUE IN MARSEILLES ON THE 20TH APRIL AND LONDON ON
THE 27TH APRIL.

IN ADDITION TO GIVING PASSENGERS AN OPPORTUNITY OF
SPENDING ABOUT 24 HOURS IN BOMBAY THIS VESSEL
WILL MAKE A FAST RUN TO MARSEILLES AND LONDON.
THE VOYAGE FROM HONGKONG TO MARSEILLES SHOULD BE
COMPLETED IN 25 DAYS AND TO LONDON IN 35 DAYS

FARES:

To MARSEILLES—£61 First and £42 Second Saloon,
To LONDON—£65 First and £44 Second Saloon.

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th October, 1906.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
EUROPEAN LINE.STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.STEAMERS WILL ALSO CALL AT GIBRALTAR & SOUTHAMPTON
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGETAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINCESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 7th November
ROON	WEDNESDAY 21st November
BUELOW	WEDNESDAY 5th December
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 19th December
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 2nd January
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY 16th January
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 30th January
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY 13th February
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 27th February

ON WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of NOVEMBER, 1906, at Noon the Steamship
"PRINCESS ALICE," Captain Ch. Polack, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE
AND CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 5th Nov. Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 6th Nov. and Parcels
will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 6th Nov.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50,
and Parcels should not exceed Two Foot Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR	£61 0 0	£42 0 0	£22 0 0
return	91 0 0	63 0 0	33 0 0
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN AND HAMBURG	65 0 0	44 0 0	24 0 0
return	97 0 0	66 0 0	36 0 0

* TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ
via NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR 64 0 0 | 44 0 0 | 26 0 0 || return | 115 0 0 | 79 0 0 | 42 0 0 |
| VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON, | 68 0 0 | 46 0 0 | 27 0 0 |
| return | 123 0 0 | 83 0 0 | 49 0 0 |

* In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and
travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland the same rates to be applied as via NAPLES,
GENOA OR GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passengers'
expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:
Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co., from
SINGAPORE to CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo.
The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is, however, not included.

INTERCEPTION OF THE VOYAGE IN EGYPT:
Passengers to European and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean
Steamers from ALEXANDRIA, to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer
from PORT SAID.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIAN LINE. via NEW GUINEA.

FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN,
HERBERTSHOEHE, MATUPI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY
AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	SAILING DATES
WILLEHAD	TUESDAY, 13th Nov.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	TUESDAY, 11th Dec.
SANDAKAN	TUESDAY, 8th Jan.

ON TUESDAY, the 13th NOVEMBER, at Noon, the Steamship "WILLEHAD,"
Captain Obenauer, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	1st Class	2nd Class
To MANILA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	return	\$80.00
To NEW GUINEA	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	return	\$40.00
To SYDNEY	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	return	\$40.00
To MELBOURNE	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	return	\$40.00
To YOKOHAMA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	return	\$80.00
To KOBE	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	return	\$80.00
To YOKOHAMA and back from KOBE	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$50.00	return	\$170.00
To HONGKONG	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$50.00	return	\$170.00

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG: 1st Class
To EUROPE via AUSTRALIA and COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer £97. 0. 0.
To EUROPE via AUSTRALIA and AMERICA " 96. 0. 0.
From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C.P.R. Co's steamers, or via San
Francisco by the O. & S.S. Co's steamers, and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent
Express Steamers of N.D.L.

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, "BUELOW"	Wednesday, 7th Nov.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA "PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD"	Wednesday, 21st Nov.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, "PRINZ SIGISMUND"	Wednesday, 21st Nov.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA "PRINZ SIGISMUND"	Wednesday, 21st Nov.

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG via Vancouver or San
Francisco to New York by the C.P.R. Co's steamers, P.M.S.S. Co., O. & S.S. Co.,
T. K. K. and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of the
Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following Rates:

To London via Plymouth or Southampton	£62. 0. 0.
To Bremen	83. 10. 0.
To Paris via Cherbourg	65. 0. 0.
To Naples, Genoa via Gibraltar	65. 0. 0.

Passage money payable in local currency at current sight Bank rate of Exchange on the
day of payment.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

PASSENGER SEASON 1907.

IN 25 DAYS TO ITALY

BY THE

MAGNIFICENT N.D.L. LINERS:

"PRINCESS ALICE" Tons Reg. 10,911, ON MARCH 13TH.
CAPT. CH. POLACK.
"PRINZ LUDWIG" Tons Reg. 10,500, ON MARCH 27TH.
CAPT. J. VON LINZER.

CALLING AT NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR AND
SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS.

EARLY BOOKING RECOMMENDED.

FOR PARTICULARS, APPLY TO

MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1906.

[1905]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY. COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

LUXURY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.

THE ONLY LINE THAT MAINTAINS A REGULAR SCHEDULE SERVICE OF UNDER
11 DAYS Across the Pacific to the "EMPERESS LINE" Saving 3 to 10 days' Ocean Travel.
11 DAYS YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER.
15 DAYS HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.		(Subject to Alteration).	
R.M.S.	Tons	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 22nd Nov. ...	30th Dec.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 25th Nov. ...	22nd Dec.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	THURSDAY, 29th Dec. ...	7th Jan.
"MONTEAGLE"	6,163	WEDNESDAY, 26th Dec. ...	19th Jan.

"EMPERESS" Steamers will depart from HONGKONG at 4 P.M.
Intermediate Steamers at 12 Noon.

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES and EUROPE, calling at
YOKOHAMA, NAGASAKI through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and
YOKOHAMA and VICTORIA, B.C., and at VANCOUVER with a Special Mail
Express, and at Quebec with the Company's NEW PACIFIC EMPERESS Steamships
11,500 tons register. The through transit to LIVERPOOL being 22 days from YOKOHAMA
and 29 days from HONGKONG.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via St. Lawrence 190; via New York 192.
Intermediate on Steamers "410" and "412."

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE," "ATHENIAN" and "EMPERESS" carry intermediate
passengers only at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.
Passengers booked through to all parts of AROUND THE WORLD
SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval
Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officers in the Service of China
and Japan Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to
D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent,
Corner Polder Street and Praya opposite Black Pier.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAH	JAVA	Second half of November	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of November
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	Second half of November	JAVA PORTS	Second half of November
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of November	JAVA PORTS	First half of December
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	Second half of November	JAVA PORTS	First half of December
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half of December	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of December

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a
limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on
through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the
HEAD AGENCY OF THEJAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.
Nork Buildings, 1st Floor.
Hongkong, 2th October, 1906.

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BOVRIL

Supplies Energy.

Bovril gives Strength to Resist
Disease and greatly aids
recovery from exhausting
illness."SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.THE Steamship
"MERIONETHSHIRE"Will be despatched for the above Ports on or
about the 16th November, and will be followed
by the Steamship"FLINTSHIRE,"
On or about the 30th November.For Freight and Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1906. [1884]

DAMPFSCHIFFS-RHEDEREI "UNION"
ACTIEN-GESELLSCHAFT.FOR NEW YORK.
(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Co. St.)THE Steamship
"VERONA"Captain Dobronz will be despatched for the
above Port on or about MONDAY, the 17th
December.For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1906. [2043]

Cunliffe, The Pioneer Experts
in Premium Bonds.
Russell & Co.10 & 12, Place de la Bourse,
SECURITIES ISSUED BY PARIS
European Gov'ts and
Municipalities offering
prospects of immense returns.To be purchased for cash or on the
"Times" system of monthly payments.CUNLIFFE, RUSSELL & CO., being the oldest estab-
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world, offer advantages absolutely un-
obtainable elsewhere. Bonds guaranteed
exceptional facilities for payment. Names
checked after every Drawing. Results of Draw-
ings in English. Holders of drawn Bonds ad-
vised at once. Prizes collected free of charge.
Bonds purchased "at sight." Loans granted
on Premium Bonds. Services continue until
last Bond drawn. All transactions confidential.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Friday next, the 9th instant, having been declared a Public Holiday the Post Office will be open for one hour only, i.e. from 8 to 9 a.m.

There will be no delivery and a collection from the Pillar Boxes as on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

CLOSING OF CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCEL MAIL TO THE UNITED KINGDOM.

Parcels for the United Kingdom via Gibraltar posted up to 5 p.m. on the 16th instant are due in London on the 22nd of December, 1906.

With an additional fee of 60 cents, parcels may be sent via Brindisi and if posted before 5 p.m. on the 16th instant, would accompany the letter mail, which is due in London on the 15th of December.

Parcels intended for New Year's delivery should also be forwarded by the mail of the 16th instant, as the subsequent parcel mail of the 1st of December via Gibraltar is scheduled to arrive in London on the 5th January, 1907.

The rates of postage on ordinary parcels to United Kingdom are as follows:—

For a parcel not exceeding 5 lbs. in weight 60 cents.
7 lbs. 1.10
11 lbs. 1.80

All parcels containing Jewellery or any articles of Gold or Silver must be insured. This includes Silver or Gold mounted Walking Sticks or Umbrellas; all insured parcels must be sealed. The seals must bear the impression of a devisor's private mark. Coins must not be used for sealing purposes.

The *Indra*, with the German mail, left Singapore on Friday, the 2nd instant at 10 a.m., and may be expected here today.

The *Ernest* steamer, with the French mail of the 12th ultimo, left Singapore on Monday, the 5th inst. at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 12th inst. This packet brings copies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 9th September.

For Mail for CANTON, WUCHOW and SHANGHAI will be closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 6 p.m. until further notice.

FOR	PER	DATE
Singapore	100	Wednesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Amoy and Singapore	100	Wednesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tientsin	100	Wednesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Late Letters, 11.30 A.M. 1906	100	Wednesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Package 10 cents	100	Wednesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.	100	Wednesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Macau	100	Wednesday, 7th, 1.15 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	100	Wednesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore and Hongkong	100	Wednesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	100	Wednesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Kobe	100	Wednesday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Quang Chow, Wan and Chikong	100	Thursday, 8th, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	100	Thursday, 8th, 9.00 A.M.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS IN ADVANCE.

A FINE SELECTION OF
RAPHAEL TUCK'S
XMAS CARDS
OF VARIOUS DESIGNS AND DESCRIPTIONS.

NOW ON VIEW.

10% DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

H. RUTTONJEE.

5, D'ARQUIER STREET, HONGKONG.

and 37 and 38, ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1906.

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TO-MORROW
Sale, 8.30 A.M. with all the Anchors, Chairs and Appurtenances, etc., on board, Mr. Geo. P. Leung, 12, Market Street, Hongkong, will be in charge of the sale. Sale Room, Mr. C. M. C. Vieira, 12, Market Street, Hongkong, will be in charge of the sale.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

		Nov. 6th.
ON LONDON.—		
	Telegraphic Transfer	2/3
	Bank Bill, on demand	2/3 1/2
	Bank Bill, at 30 days' sight	2/3 1/2
	Bank Bill, at 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
	Credit, at 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
	Documentary Bill, 4 months' sight	2/4
ON PARIS.—		
	Bank Bill, on demand	2/8 1/2
	Credit, at 4 months' sight	2/8 1/2
ON GERMANY.—		
	On demand	2/3 1/2
ON NEW YORK.—		
	Bank Bill, on demand	55 1/2
	Credit, 60 days' sight	56 1/2
ON BOMBAY.—		
	Telegraphic Transfer	17 1/2
	Bank, on demand	17 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—		
	Telegraphic Transfer	17 1/2
	Bank, on demand	17 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—		
	Bank, at sight	72 1/2
	Private, 30 days' sight	73 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—	On demand	11 1/2
ON MANILA.—	On demand—Pesos.	11 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—	On demand	2 p. p. c.
ON BATAVIA.—	On demand	138
ON HAIPHONG.—	On demand	14 p. p. c.
ON SAIGON.—	On demand	1 p. p. c.
ON SOERABAYA.—	On demand	1 p. p. c.
ON CANTON.—	Bank's Flying Rate	88 1/2
	GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	84 1/2
BAR SILVER.	per oz.	324